

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 through 22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously Presented) A system for automatically delivering a phone call to a device, said system comprising:

- a processor coupled to a bus and a display screen coupled to said bus;
- a cellular phone mechanism;
- a memory unit coupled to said bus and having stored therein an operating system executed by said processor and a background task executed by said processor, said operating system including at least one graphical user interface; where said background task performs to the steps of
  - monitoring for incoming phone calls by a background task of said operating system of said device, said background task interfacing directly with the telephony functionality of said device, said background task always active, said operating system including at least one application;
  - detecting said incoming phone call by said background task;
  - notifying said operating system of said incoming phone call by said background task; and
  - notifying a user of said device of said incoming phone call by said background task irrespective of the user's activity on said device without terminating said application.

24. (Original) The system as recited in Claim 23 wherein said device is a palmtop computer system.

25. (Original) The system as recited in Claim 23 wherein said listening/speaking apparatus is an earbud.

26. (Original) The system as recited in Claim 23 wherein said listening/speaking apparatus is a headset.

27. (Original) The system as recited in Claim 23 wherein said background task monitors for said incoming phone calls.

28. (Original) The system as recited in Claim 27 wherein said background task receives said incoming phone calls.

29. (Previously Presented) The system as recited in Claim 33 wherein said background task notifies said graphical user interface of said incoming phone call.

30. (Previously Presented) The system as recited in Claim 29 wherein said graphical user interface is blocked, whereby said background operates to notify said user of said device of said incoming phone call irrespective of said user's activity on said device.

31. (Previously Presented) The system as recited in Claim 29 whereby said graphical user interface is updated, notifies said user of said device of said incoming phone call irrespective of said user's activity on said device, and includes an image of a cell phone keypad and digitry.

32. (Cancelled)

33. (Previously Presented). The system as recited in Claim 23 wherein said application is a graphical user interface.